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### **Spring Break DUII Patrols and MIP Saturation Detail**

Spring break in our area starts on Friday, and with spring break comes an increase in DUII and MIP incidents. Traditionally the first and last weekends of spring break have the potential for a high number of alcohol related calls for service.

The Beaverton Police Department will be conducting high visibility multi-officer details on the first and last weekends of spring break. These details are designed to proactively and aggressively locate, test and arrest impaired drivers within the City of Beaverton. There will be up to four officers each night starting Friday, March 21, 2014 and ending Sunday, March 23, 2014 and then Friday March 27, 2014 and ending Sunday March, 29, 2014 working this detail.

Also during spring break Beaverton Police Officers will be working with other officers and deputies in Washington County to identify and address incidents of minors in possession of alcohol (MIP). Spring break seems to be a time that the youth in our community are more prone to drink alcohol and or host parties that alcohol is available.

Other than it being a violation for a person under 21 to possess or consume alcohol, it can prove to be dangerous. The consequences of underage drinking are serious. Alcohol related highway deaths are a major killer of teens and young adults. Alcohol use in teens and young adults is associated with vehicle crashes, assaults, sexual assaults and death.

The Beaverton Police Department wants spring break to be a fun and safe time for everyone in our community. If you see a driver on the road that you believe is impaired or know of underage members of our community that are consuming alcohol, please call the Beaverton Police at (503) 629-0111.

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